MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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In light of both our current year budgetary shortfall and our projected \$700 million shortfall for next fiscal year, I think it is important that we immediately begin to further control spending in our current fiscal year 2009/2010 budget. This Board has previously taken the prudent action of implementing a hiring freeze where all non-emergency related hiring must go through and be approved by a rigorous Chief Executive Office (CEO) process. To date, this process has proven successful. In order to build upon the hiring freeze success, and further control spending, I believe this Board should establish additional CEO reviews of department spending. I believe the same CEO review process that is applied for the hiring freeze should also be applied to fixed asset purchases and services and supplies spending.

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I, THEREFORE MOVE, THAT:

- The Board directs the CEO to report back in 14 days with recommendations on additional spending review guidelines and procedures whereby CEO review of certain fixed asset and services and supplies expenditures by departments is required for approval by the CEO; and,
- 2. The Board directs the CEO to report back in 14 days on what mechanisms are in place to ensure salary and employee benefit savings derived from the hiring freeze do not end up as expenditures in other budget units within departments.

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